DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY



208TH FINANCE BATTALION UNIT 30041 APO AE 09166



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SUBJECT: Policy Letter 8, Alcohol and Drug Policy

- 1. PURPOSE: This SOP outlines the unit's policy on alcohol and drug abuse control and prevention and provides the soldier with information about the ongoing commander's alcohol and drug suppression program.
- 2. APPLICABILITY: This policy applies to all 208th Finance Battalion (FB) personnel.
- 3. BACKGROUND: AR 600-85, 21 October 1998, Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Program, defines policy concerning the Alcohol and Drug Prevention and Control Program (ADAPCP).

4. POLICY:

- a. The use of alcohol during non-duty hours is a personal choice. However, alcohol use must be limited to prevent alcohol abuse.
- b. Soldiers under the minimum legal age (18) may not consume alcoholic beverages. Anyone found violating this prohibition may be prosecuted.
- c. No alcohol may be consumed during normal duty hours or while performing official duties outside normal duty hours. Alcohol content in the blood will not be above the authorized limit .05 when reporting for duty. A supervisor who believes this to be occurring may refer the individual to the Medical Authority for testing. Violations may be prosecuted thru UCMJ being "Drunk on Duty."
- d. No form of drug or illegal substance use will be tolerated. This battalion will participate in regular, unannounced urinalysis programs to determine if any soldier is illegally using drugs.
- e. When confirmed positive test results or other evidence indicates a soldier has engaged in the wrongful use of drugs, the soldier will be referred to ADAPCP for evaluation within 4 days of notification. When a test result indicates the use of drugs that may have a valid medical purpose (amphetamines, barbiturates, and opiates), a medical officer must review the test result to determine if a valid medical use caused the positive test result. If a valid medical use does not exist, notification and referral will occur within 4 days of the review report in accordance with AR 600-85, Section II, paragraph 37.
- f. It is the goal of the 208th FB to provide a healthy, drug-free environment for our soldiers and civilians and keep our personnel mentally motivated and physically fit at all times.

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